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Appointment of members of the Joint Inspection Unit

Note by the Secretary-General

1. Articles 2 to 4 of the statute of the Joint Inspection Unit (General Assembly resolution 31/192 of 22 December 1976, annex) provide as follows:

> "**Article 2**
>
> "1. The Unit shall consist of not more than eleven Inspectors, chosen from among members of national supervision or inspection bodies, or from among persons of a similar competence on the basis of their special experience in national or international administrative and financial matters, including management questions. The Inspectors shall serve in their personal capacity.
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> "2. No two Inspectors shall be nationals of the same State.
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> "**Article 3**
>
> "1. Starting from the thirty-second session of the General Assembly, in 1977, the President of the General Assembly shall consult with Member States to draw up, with due regard to the principle of equitable geographical distribution and of reasonable rotation, a list of countries which would be requested to propose candidates who meet the qualifications mentioned in article 2, paragraph 1, above.
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> "2. The President of the General Assembly, through appropriate consultations, including consultations with the President of the Economic and Social Council and with the Chairman of the Administrative Committee on Coordination [United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination], shall review the qualifications of the proposed candidates. After further consultations, if necessary, with the States concerned, the President of

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the General Assembly shall submit the list of candidates to the Assembly for appointment.

"...

"**Article 4**

"1. The duration of the appointments of the Inspectors shall be five years, renewable for one further term ...".

2. At its fifty-sixth session, the General Assembly, by its decision 56/319 of 1 May 2002, appointed five members to the Joint Inspection Unit for a term of office beginning on 1 January 2003 and expiring on 31 December 2007. As of 1 January 2003, the Joint Inspection Unit will be composed of the following 11 members:

Ms. Doris Bertrand-Muck (Austria)***
Mr. Armando Duque González (Colombia)*
Mr. Even Francisco Fontaine Ortiz (Cuba)****
Mr. Ion Gorita (Romania)***
Mr. Sumihiro Kuyama (Japan)**
Mr. Wolfgang M. Münch (Germany)***
Mr. Louis-Dominique Ouédraogo (Burkina Faso)***
Mr. Tang Guangting (China)****
Mr. Victor Vislykh (Russian Federation)****
Ms. Deborah Wynes (United States of America)****
Mr. Muhammad Yussuf (United Republic of Tanzania)****

* Term of office expires on 31 December 2003.

** Term of office expires on 31 December 2004.

*** Term of office expires on 31 December 2005.

**** Term of office expires on 31 December 2007.

3. Since the term of office of Mr. Armando Duque González will expire on 31 December 2003, it will be necessary for the General Assembly at its fifty-seventh session to appoint one person to fill the resulting vacancy. The person so appointed will serve for a period of five years, beginning on 1 January 2004.

4. Following the consultations described in article 3, paragraph 1, of the statute, the President of the General Assembly will determine the countries that will be requested to propose candidates who meet the qualifications mentioned in article 2, paragraph 1.

5. After holding the consultations described in article 3, paragraph 2, of the statute, including consultations with the President of the Economic and Social Council and with the Secretary-General in his capacity as Chairman of the Chief Executives Board for Coordination, the President of the General Assembly will submit the names of the candidates to the Assembly for appointment.

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Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences

Note by the Secretary-General

1. By its resolution 43/222 B of 21 December 1988, the General Assembly decided that the Committee on Conferences should be composed of 21 members to be appointed by the President of the Assembly, after consultations with the chairmen of the regional groups, for a period of three years, on the basis of the following geographical distribution:

(a) Six members from African States;

(b) Five members from Asian States;

(c) Four members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

(d) Two members from Eastern European States;

(e) Four members from Western European and other States.

The Assembly further decided that one third of the Committee's membership should retire annually and that retiring members would be eligible for reappointment.

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2. The present membership of the Committee on Conferences is the following:

Argentina**	Jamaica***	Philippines*
Austria***	Japan*	Russian Federation*
Benin**	Jordan***	Sierra Leone**
Chile*	Kyrgyzstan**	Tunisia***
Equatorial Guinea*	Lithuania**	United States of America***
Ethiopia***	Namibia*	
Finland**	Nepal***	
France *	Peru**	

* Term of office expires on 31 December 2002.

** Term of office expires on 31 December 2003.

*** Term of office expires on 31 December 2004.

3. Since the terms of office of Chile, Equatorial Guinea, France, Japan, Namibia, the Philippines and the Russian Federation will expire on 31 December 2002, it will be necessary for the President of the General Assembly at its fifty-seventh session to appoint seven members to fill the resulting vacancies. The members so appointed will serve for a period of three years, beginning on 1 January 2003.